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For: MOLDING DIE FOR OPTICAL )  
ELEMENT, OPTICAL ELEMENT )  
AND MASTER DIE )

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination of this application, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are reflected in the replacement paragraph beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.